

DRAFT MINUTES,
TRICENTENNIAL MEETING
5.3.2021

Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm

Present: David French, Ed Beattie, Judy Haskell, Louise "Weezie" Vance, Kathy Dittami, Linda Savoy, Ward Dilmore

Absent: Glenn Johnson, Todd Wagner

Bev Mutrie present as observer

MOTION TO APPROVE BOARD MINUTES FROM 4/5/2021 (French/Vance) Unanimous

Treasurer's Report: Operating Account has: \$7685.98

Topics of discussion:

David French is very interested in selling advance copies (Pre-sales) of the soon-to-be-completed History of Hampton Falls update by Collin Garcia. Pictures to include are still to be determined by Collin and Bev Mutrie from the Historical Society. Discussion of pricing and print runs are still ongoing. David French will reach out to Tom Holbrook of RiverRun Books and Piscataqua Press for additional information on prices. A pre-sale price of \$20 and post-publication price of \$25 were suggested. Weezie and Glenn would set up a system to track sales and accounting. Ward Dilmore will cross-post information about advance purchase on the HF Historical Society's website store. Weezie Vance will supply Ward with pictures Tricentennial merchandise.

MOTION: TO APPROVE PRE-SALE OF TOWN HISTORY TO BE MAINTAINED BY TRICENTENNIAL TREASURER (French/Vance) Unanimous.

Following Ed Beattie's suggestion for a whole week of celebration for the Tricentennial, **(Sunday, July 31st through Saturday, August 6th, 2022)** The Tricentennial Committee needs to communicate and coordinate with other town organizations for their proposed activities. Ward said that the HF Historical Society is doing a Time Capsule; Ed contacted the people who coordinate 19th Century Baseball Games and placed an inquiry. Committee members agreed that it would be important to have a range of activities for a range of interests and ages, following a schedule of three events per day. Some of the ideas generated included a trolley tour of HF historical homes, or a program on "If This Barn Could Talk". Since speakers are booking a year or more in advance, Ward Dilmore said that he would reach out to Fritz Weatherbee to find out his availability and fees. (was Ken Burns mentioned...???) Ed Beattie said that he would reach out to the Police and Fire Departments to let them know the Tricentennial dates to coordinate coverage.

In addition to gathering more people to help with events and related activities, it's very important that we reach out to HF Free Library, The Recreation Commission, The Bandstand Committee, The Conservation Commission, the Churches in HF, and LAS.

Conversation turned to decorations for the Tricentennial, and decorating the Town Common. Pam Fitzgerald did a lot for the 275th celebration, so it was suggested that we invite her to attend our next meeting and tell us what the Town used and any recommendations she may have.

Weezie Vance asked Kathy Dittami to today's meeting and Kathy invited Linda Savoy. Both expressed enthusiasm and interest in helping with the Tricentennial and are willing to be sworn in as members. Judy will send out email invitations to the June meeting to Vivian Martin Lefebvre and Pam Fitzgerald. It was suggested that if we held the monthly meeting later in the day, we might attract more volunteers. The committee agreed to try it for the **June 7th meeting at 6:30pm**

Motion to adjourn: 2:05 pm (Vance/Dilmore)

Next Meeting: Monday, June 7th, 2021 at Town Hall at 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Haskell, Co-Secretary